

# Out of the Blue

Waikerie Gliding Club Newsletter

APRIL 2008

## Annual General Meeting

The **2008 Annual General Meeting of  
Waikerie Gliding Club**  
will be held in the  
**Clubrooms, Waikerie Aerodrome**

**Saturday 24 May, 2008  
Commencing at 1600 Hrs**

Day Programme	0900 Hrs Prepare glider fleet.
	1000 Hrs Briefing, Briefing Room.
	1100 Hrs Flying Ops commence.
	1200 Hrs Sausage Sizzle @ Pie-cart
	1530 Hrs Hangar glider fleet
	1600 Hrs AGM, Clubrooms
	1800 Hrs Drinks at the Bar
	1830 Hrs Dinner, Clubrooms.

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## AGENDA

Waikerie Gliding Club Inc

Waikerie Aerodrome, 1400 Hrs, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2008.

- 1. Welcome.**
  - Attendees
  - Apologies
  - Visitors
- 2. Quorum**
- 3. Previous Minutes,** meeting held 1400 Hrs, Saturday 19 May, 2007
- 4. Matters Arising**
  - Financial Report
  - Motor Glider Operating Fee
- 5. Financial Report**
- 6. Other Reports**
  - Social Committee.
- 7. Presidents Report**
- 8. Committee Elections**
  - President
  - Vice-President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Committee positions.
  - SAGA Representative
  - Newsletter Editor
- 9. General / Any Other Business**
- 10. Close.**

## Annual General Meeting

<h3>COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM</h3>
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**PROPOSER:** I, .....,  
being a current Financial Member of Waikerie Gliding Club Inc  
(WGC), here-by

**NOMINATE:** .....  
also being a current Financial Member of WGC for the position of

**POSITION** *President\* / Vice President\* / Secretary\* / Treasurer\* / Committee\* /  
Other* ..... on the Waikerie  
Gliding Club Committee.  
(\* Circle 1 position only)

### Names & Signatures

**1. Proposer:**

Name: .....

Signature: ..... Date ...../...../.....

**2. Seconder:**

Name: .....

Signature ..... Date ...../...../.....

**3. Nominated Member**

Name: .....

Signature: ..... Date ...../...../.....

**This Form must be provided to the Secretary prior to the meeting.**

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Information for Members

### Background

The *Annual General Meeting (AGM)* is an important meeting for the **Waikerie Gliding Club Inc (WGC)**. This meeting is a requirement of the **Constitution** of WGC and is also a requirement under South Australian State law. The following aspects are also stipulated by the Constitution,

- a) the timing of the meeting,
- b) The Quorum requirements.
- c) the reports to be presented
- d) Elections.
- e) Terms of Office for Committee

### Committee

The requirements for the Committee of WGC are also defined in the Club Constitution, which defines, among other things, the positions, the number and terms of office of Committee members.

The following major points are highlighted;

- The Committee consists of 8 positions,  
Four "Executive" positions (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.  
Four Committee members.
- Term of Office.
  - a) Executive. Elected at each Annual General Meeting (AGM). The "term of office" for the Executive is therefore 12 months, when the Executive all step down. Re-election is possible at an AGM.
  - b) Committee. Committee members are "elected" for a 2 year term. Ideally 2 Committee members are elected at an AGM, with 2 carrying-over for the additional year to provide continuity. Committee members may also be re-elected.
- No person may occupy more than 1 position.
- Members may be co-opted to the Committee / sub-Committee/s for specific purposes.

### Quorum

A "Quorum" is required to be present at AGM and Special General Meetings of WGC. The Constitution specifies that a Quorum is equal to or more than 25% of the ***Full Flying Members residing in South Australia.***

It is important to note that this number is for the Quorum (number of members) to be present. It does not relate to ***voting rights***, which is covered by the class of membership. Depending upon the class of membership, a member may not be able to be counted as part of a Quorum, but may have voting rights during the meeting.

### Elections

Committee members are elected at an AGM. The Constitution requires nominations for Committee to be made in an appropriate format and for the ***Nomination Form*** to be signed by the proposer, a seconder and the nominee. The completed Form must be delivered to the Secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Unfortunately, it has become accepted practice to accept Committee nominations from the floor of the meeting due to low attendance levels.

Members of the Committee who have completed the 1<sup>st</sup> year of a 2 year term remain Committee members, providing they are willing to continue. The Executive, and those Committee members who have completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the 2 year term, step down at the AGM. These members may offer themselves for re-election. Should there be only enough nominations to fill the Executive and Committee positions, no election is necessary. If there are more nominations than required for the Executive or Committee positions, an election is necessary.

Elections are conducted by secret ballot. A Returning Officer is generally appointed from the floor to conduct the election. The Returning Officer should;

- Conduct all Ballots for positions individually,
- Seek assistance with counting results from the floor.
- Retain all copies of Voting Papers for subsequent audit in the event of the contesting of any position.

### **Conduct of Election.**

The Executive and Committee members who have completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the 2 year term step down and these positions are declared vacant.

1. Election of President.      Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than 1 nomination, a ballot is required.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The member who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> preferences is declared the President.  
  
Once the President is elected, the task of electing the remainder of the Committee may be given to the President.  
In terms of transparency, it is recommended the Returning Officer continue the task of the election.
2. Election of Vice President      Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than 1 nomination, a ballot is required.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The member who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> preferences is declared the Vice-President.
3. Election of Secretary      Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than 1 nomination, a ballot is required.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
  
The member who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> preferences is declared the Secretary.

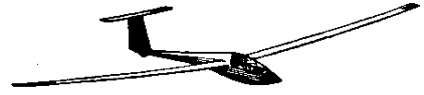
4. Election of Treasurer
- Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor if necessary.  
If there is more than 1 nomination, a ballot is required.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The member who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> preferences is declared the Treasurer.
5. Election of Committee Members
- Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than the number of nominations required, a ballot is required.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The members who receives the highest number of preferences are declared Committee Members.
6. SAGA Representative
- It is common practice to elect 2 members to carry out this task.
- Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than 2 nominations, a ballot should be held. Although this election may be done by a show of hands, it is recommended that it be done by Ballot.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The members who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> preferences should be declared the SAGA Representatives.
7. Out-Of-The-Blue Editor
- Nominations should be identified.  
Nomination should be called from the floor.  
If there is more than 1 nomination, a ballot should be held. Although this election may be done by a show of hands, it is recommended that it be done by Ballot.  
Voting slips should be distributed to those members who have voting rights, and members requested to list the nominated members in voting order of preference.  
The member who receives the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> preferences should be declared the Newsletter Editor.

John Hudson  
President, 2006-2007



# *"Everything Aeronautical"*

Hosted by **Waikerie Gliding Club.**



***Waikerie Aerodrome, Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup>,  
Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008***

Put this annual event into your Calendar – the last weekend in October

Everyone with an interest in things "Aeronautical" – from kites, aeromodelers & model rockets, balloons, hang-gliders and sailplanes to sport aircraft, micro-lights homebuilts, antiques, vintage, warbirds, gyro-copters, and parachutists to rocketists - everyone is welcome to come to Waikerie.

Come for the day – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2008 - or the weekend.

Meet and talk to people with similar interests,  
Pilots, builders, owners, maintainers, restorers, suppliers,  
See a wide variety of "flying machines".

See the AS-W20 Tri-jet glider

Try your hand in a "Maggot Race" around a (short) defined route to identify objects etc while carrying a data logger (will be provided), to be downloaded for all to see.

Practice your aviation knowledge in the "Aviation Quiz" after Dinner on Saturday evening.

Plenty of aircraft parking, good tie-down facilities  
Light snacks and refreshments available during the day

Dinner on Saturday evening for those who wish to stay (Bookings essential) – complete with an "Aviation Quiz".

For further details, information, phone John Hudson 08 82725929

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*"When once you have tasted flight, you will always walk with your eyes turned skyward, for there you have been and there you will always be" .....* Leonardo da Vinci

## Legal Requirements to Fly

In order to comply with the rules and regulations governing gliding in Australia, it is a requirement that pilots;  
be a member of a Club affiliated with the Gliding Federation of Australia.  
be a member of the Gliding Federation of Australia.  
undertake a “checkflight” with an Instructor each 12 months.

It is the responsibility of individual pilots to ensure their membership of the Club and GFA are current and that they have undertaken a check-flight with an Instructor with the past 12 months. If any one of these requirements are not current, pilots must not fly solo.

Pilots may check the status of their GFA membership by checking the membership lists (by Club or by individual) on the GFA website. If your name appears in “red”, your membership is not current.

To provide information to Instructors to allow checks to be made that these requirements are satisfied, a list is being developed to indicate the current status of pilots.

Please remember, it is a pilot’s responsibility to ensure these requirements are satisfied – and not to fly a glider until all the requirements are satisfied..

If your Club membership is not current, ensure there are sufficient funds in your account to cover membership and advise Craig Vinall.

If your GFA membership is not current, send the required fee to GFA. The Duty Instructor may request to see your GFA Membership Card.

If your checkflight is not current, arrange a checkflight with the duty instructor. As the Duty Instructor may request to see your Log Book, ensure you arrange for the Instructor to record your checkflight in your Log Book.

John Hudson     President

## Insurance Costs, Club Fleet

### General discussion about insurance costs and means to reduce these costs.

Several options and ideas were considered including,

- Continuing to insure all gliders.
- Layup gliders except for Dec, Jan & Feb.
- Discontinue insurance on some gliders.
- Discontinue all Hull insurance on the Club glider fleet.

#### **The decision was subsequently taken**

- 1) not to renew hull insurance on any of the Club glider fleet.
- 2) The saved funds to be isolated for "self insurance" purposes only.
- 3) Excess payment by Members to be increased from \$1500.00 to \$2000.00 per incident.
- 4) Opportunity for members to pay the annual \$200.00 to cover the \$2000 excess.
- 5) Members to be notified in writing.

**J Hudson.**

## WORKING BEE

A "Working Bee" has been planned for the weekend of **10th and 11th of May 2008**. Both weekend days have been set aside because of the large backlog of outstanding work requirements.

The list of "jobs" to be undertaken can also be found in the Club Docs:

[http://waikeriegliding.com/docs/WorkingBeeList\\_10may08.xls](http://waikeriegliding.com/docs/WorkingBeeList_10may08.xls)

I suggest each member select a couple of tasks and come fully equipped to complete those tasks.

I particularly draw attention to the subject of dead tree removal from various areas around the Club - chain saws are required.

I will come with an electric chainsaw (OK in the Carpark or near an electrical power supply), but some dead trees are remote from these.

I also encourage all members to attend - if we can't complete the work in the time set aside, we have little choice but set other dates. If members wish to undertake tasks earlier,

**BE MY GUEST.**

I will provide a hearty lunch on both Saturday and Sunday.

Dinner will be available as usual on Saturday evening.

John Hudson

#	Item	Equipment Required
<b>Hangars</b>		
1	Igloo Hangar	Tidy
	Club Tools	Sort, store Club Tools
2	Main Hangar,	
	Gliders Gear, Orderly storage of tow out gear.	
3	Nth Door Pillar corrosion	
<b>Clubrooms/Accomm</b>		
1	Clubroom windows, clean	Window cleaning gear.
2	Airconditioners, service, prepare for Winter.	
3	Accommodation - Lay carpet	
	Review condition.	
4	Smoke Alarms, New Batteries.	Fit new batteries.
5	Bedside Lighting,	Inspect, Repair, Replace etc
6	Family Unit 1, Air Conditioner Fan.	Fan Loose, rubbing.
7	Weather Strips	Repair/Install.
8	External Doors, Window Frame	Paint
9	Clubrooms, Paint eaves.	
10	Ladies Toilet, Install new Mirror	
11	Clubroom Paths, outside South Door.	Install Paving.
12	North Door, Locks (Bottom)	Repair
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### **Main Kitchen**

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| 1 Wash walls<br>Complete electrics<br>Sink shelf.<br>Fridge Door seals<br>Tile walls.<br>Weather Seal, South Door | Source and Install<br>Repair<br><br>Install. |
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### **Members Kitchen**

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| 2 Members Kitchen, Paint west doors<br>Members Kitchen, Plumbing<br>Vent, Behind F/U 2 | Paint, Brushes, sand paper<br>Modify |
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### **Office / Briefing Room**

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| 1 Briefing Room - Paint Door              |  |
| 2 Office<br>- Paint Door<br>- Lay Carpet  |  |
| 3 Clean Windows<br>Window Frame, replace. |  |

### **Garden Shed / Grounds**

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| 1 Fertilise Clubroom area lawns               | Fertiliser & Spreader |
| 2 Caravan Park & Surrounds, Remove Dead Trees | Chain saws            |
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### **Bar Security**

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| 1 Bar Security | Review, Fabricate screens. |
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### **Club Equipment**

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| 1 Tug      | Clean             |
| 2 Tractor, | Service and Clean |

### **Junk Area**

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| 1 Tidy up                      | Assemble flammable material.<br>Assemble all scrap metal. |
| 2 Sewerage Pump,               | Inspect/Service   |
| 3 Facilities Water Supply Pump | Fabricate and Install cover.                              |

### **Irrigation System**

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| Irrigation Hoses / Sprinklers, service/grease, Re-commission. |        |
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| 2 Irrigation Points, Airfield                                 | Repair |
| 3 Irrigation System, Clubroom Area, modify.                   |        |

### **Glider Trailers**

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| Renew packing in fittings<br>All Trailers - Critically review and modify | Security of glider components, ie Single Astir.<br>Modify LS4/LS7 Trailers for Discus.<br>Modify Discus Trailer for KYS.<br>Check Rego and Number Plates. |
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**Aircraft.**

Pelican Glider

Glider Tow-out Gear

Storage

Repair/Replace tyre/s

Modify / Service & Repair

Paint

Label

**Club Signs**

Review, Repaint

Delete reference to WISC.

**Pie-Cart**

Re-seal bench tops, Floor.

Refix cladding from storm damage

3 Clean Battery acid from Steelwork

Sander, sealer, paint brushes.

Pop rivets

Water, Steel brush, Zinc paint